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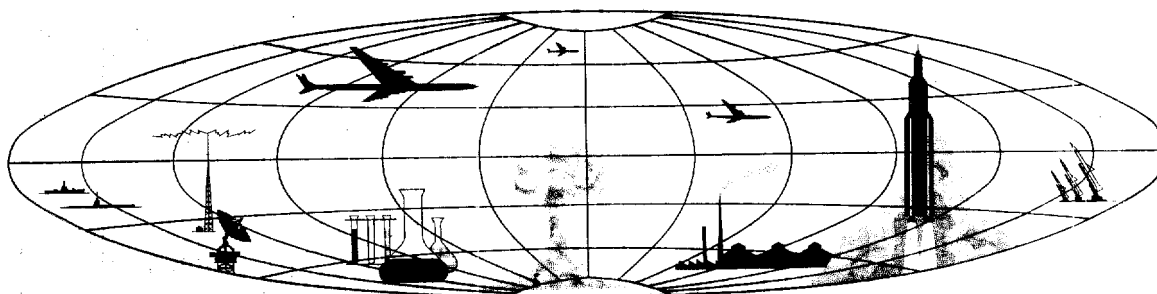
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3609, DATED 24 MAY 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

LOS ANGELES SAM SITE 2100N 07541W

SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA, 13 CANVAS-COVERED PROBABLE PRIME MOVERS, 7 OTHER VEHICLES, AND 6 SETS OF BOGIE WHEELS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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MANZANILLO SAM SITE 2018N 07706W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, ONE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE, AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA, 5 LOWBOY TRAILERS, 10 CANVAS-COVERED PROBABLE PRIME MOVERS, 6 SETS OF BOGIE WHEELS, AND NUMEROUS MISSILE CANISTERS.

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ESMERALDA SAM SITE 2155N 07813W

SIX CANVAS-COVERED, REVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND A REVIEWED, OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

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CIFUENTES SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2236N 08005W

APPROXIMATELY 12 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS OR CANISTERS
OBSERVED.
SCATTERED CLOUDS AND FOLIAGE PRECLUDE FURTHER
INTERPRETATION.

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BANES CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2058N 07538W

TWO REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 2 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 7
CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES, 4 PROBABLE VEHICLES, A CANVAS-
COVERED HOLD POSITION, AND A CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE
AREA OBSERVED.

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-AIRFIELDS-

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CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

AIRCRAFT -- 14 FAGOT/FRESCO.
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

25X1D

CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N 07751W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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LOS CANOS AIRFIELD 2004N 07509W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.

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ANTONIO MACEO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 LIAISON-TYPE.
N/S RUNWAY APPEARS UNSERVICEABLE.
AN OCCUPIED 6-GUN AAA POSITION WAS OBSERVED AT UTM

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COORDINATES 18Q VT134111.

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CORONEL PASCUAL AIRFIELD 2307N 08117W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.

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SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD 2206N 08409W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 LIAISON-TYPE.

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BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE LIAISON-TYPE AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

TRINIDAD AIRFIELD 2147N 07959W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.

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-PORTS-

BANES PORT 2055N 07542W

VESSELS -- 2 PC AND 3 PT.
NO CONSTRUCTION OR UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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PUNTA ALEGRE PORT 2223N 07847W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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BARACOA PORT 2021N 07430W

VESSELS -- ONE PROBABLE PC IN PORT.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

TWO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED (PROBABLY FREIGHTERS).
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

MOA PORT 2039N 07454W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

VESSELS -- 4 LARGE FREIGHTERS, ONE SMALL FREIGHTER,
AND ONE TANKER.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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NUEVITAS PORT 2132N 07716W

VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS WITH HATCHES OPEN.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREA.

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CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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CARDENAS PORT 2302N 08112W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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LA COLOMA PORT 2214N 08334W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.

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PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.

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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2017N 07706W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NINETEEN CANVAS-COVERED TANKS/SP GUNS, 10 FA PIECES,
AND APPROXIMATELY 10 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

MAIN CAMP AND ENCAMPMENT .8 NM TO THE NORTH ARE CLOUD-
COVERED.
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN ENCAMPMENT 2.3 NM TO THE SE

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EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2007N 07546W

FORTY-EIGHT FA PIECES AND 38 VEHICLES OBSERVED.
NUMEROUS TENTS, AW POSITIONS, AND TRENCHES SCATTERED
THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

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[REDACTED]

CAYO LARGO 2138N 08129W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.
NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

LAS MERCEDES, MILITARY CAMP 2006N 07700W

ONE TWIN-ENGINE, LIAISON-TYPE AIRCRAFT OBSERVED ON
AIRSTRIIP 4.7 NM SW OF PALMA ESTRADA.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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GUANE, MILITARY CAMP 2212N 08408W

THIRTEEN TANKS/SP GUNS AND 7 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED.
FOLIAGE AND SHADOWS LIMIT INTERPRETATION.

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NICARO LANDING BEACH 2042N 07533W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

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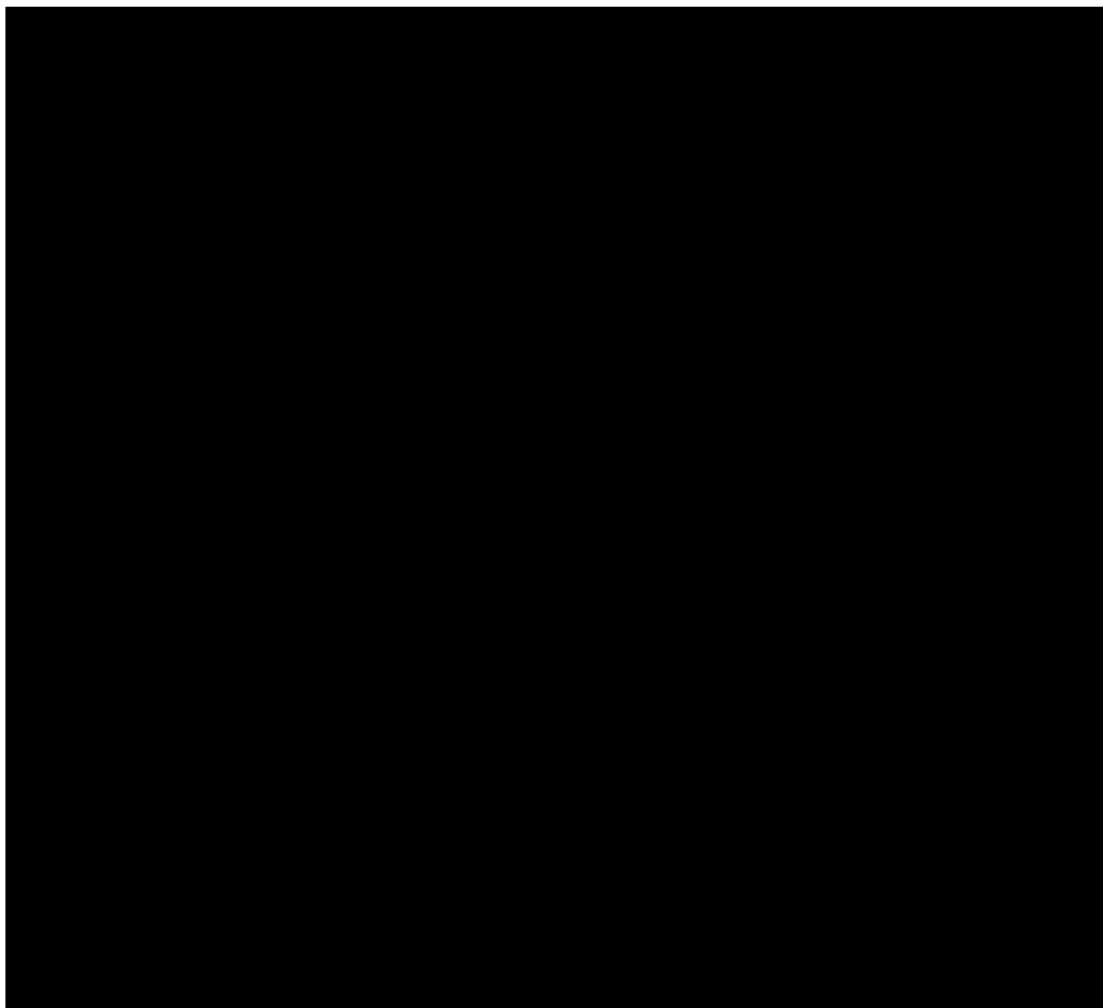
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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE
SINCE LAST COVERAGE---

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SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2	2239N 07951W
SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD SAM SITE	2205N 08409W
CAIBARIEN SAM SITE	2228N 07929W
CHAPARRA SAM SITE	2107N 07626W
JIGUANI SAM SITE	2021N 07620W
SENADO SAM SITE	2136N 07733W
SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE	1959N 07550W
SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2003N 07553W
MALDONADO SAM SITE	2012N 07528W
SIBONEY LANDING BEACH	1957N 07542W



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PLAYA YATERITAS LANDING BEACH
VARADERO LANDING BEACH
CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH
MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH
ENSENADA COLORADO LANDING BEACH
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION

25X1D

1958N 07457W
2308N 08118W
2202N 08036W
1957N 07557W
2202N 08025W
2224N 07953W
2204N 07552W

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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT
NOT INTERPRETED --

25X1A

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1
LA COLOMA SAM SITE
MATANZAS SAM SITE
CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE
SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE
CHAMBAS SAM SITE
PINAR DEL RIO SAM ASSEMBLY AREA
LA SIERRA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE
HOLGUIN AIRFIELD
COLONEL MARTIN MARRERRO AIRFIELD
JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD
PINAR DEL RIO AIRFIELD
TRINIDAD AIRFIELD
NUEVA GERONA PORT
PINAR DEL RIO, MILITARY CAMP
ALTO CEDRO, MILITARY CAMP
LIMONAR AREA, MILITARY CAMP
CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP

2243N 08001W
2218N 08332W
2301N 08129W
2202N 08024W
2251N 08005W
2213N 07853W
2221N 08339W
2156N 08019W
2048N 07618W
2150N 08247W
2209N 08025W
2225N 08341W
2147N 07959W
2153N 08248W
2223N 08342W
2029N 07559W
2256N 08124W
2126N 07753W
2034N 07608W
2228N 08347W
2154N 08246W
2153N 08243W
2027N 07531W

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MESTANZA, EXPLOSIVE STORAGE SITE
PLAYA COLOMBO LANDING BEACH
PLAYA DE FLAMENCOS LANDING BEACH
MAYARI ARRIBA, MILITARY INSTALLATION

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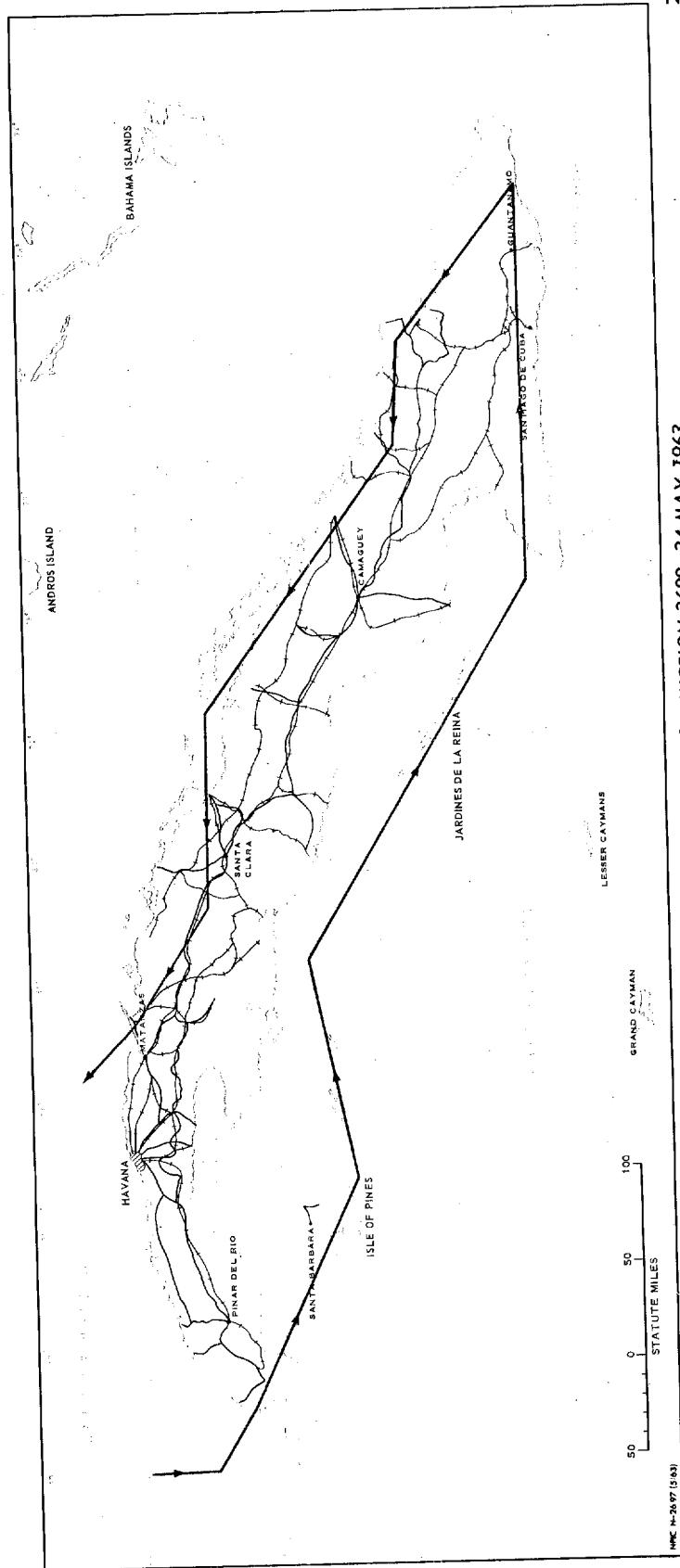
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